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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALZAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & CO., 39, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES HENDY & CO., 37, WILBROOK, E. C. SAMUEL BRADON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. W. M. WILLS, 151, Cornhill, E. C. PARIS AND EUROPE.—ANDRE PRINCE & CO., 28, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & CO., THE APOTHECARY'S CO., Colombo. SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila. CHINA.—MUNO, F. A. DE CRUZ, Siratoe, Quelion & CO. AMOY, N. MOULIE, Foochow, HEDGE & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & CO.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$7,500,000
Reserve Fund, \$4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors, \$7,500,000

Course of Directors.
Chairman—Hon. JOHN BELLI-IRVING.
Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
O. D. BOTTOMEY, Esq.
W. G. BRODIE, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
J. F. HOLLIDAY, Esq.
Hon. B. LATTON.

Chief Manager—THOMAS JAUNAY, Esq.
Manager—EVELYN CAMERON, Esq.
London Branches—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
Interest Allowed.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For months, 3 per cent. per annum,
" 6 " 4 per cent. "
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drugs granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1888. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,000 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 6 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their duly balanced account.

5.—Depositors will be supplied gratis with a Pass Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 1, 1888. 754

Notice of Firm.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY RESUMED CHARGE.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 6, 1888. 2057

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR CHINESE.

RESIDENTS in the Colony would materially aid the SENATE of the COLLEGE by forwarding to the Aztec Memorial Hospital

(1) Glass Jars (for museum purposes).
(2) Illustrated Papers and Books for the Students' Reading Room and Library.

Address to JAMES CANTLIE,

Hon. Sec. to the College.

Hongkong, August 7, 1888. 1817

Intimations.

THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

THE KOWLOON HOTEL will be OPENED to the PUBLIC on and after WEDNESDAY, the 12th Instant, on which date all Visitors will be made cordially welcome as Guests.

WINES and SPIRITS of the best quality only kept.

TWO First-class ENGLISH and ONE AMERICAN BILLIARD TABLES, also a TENNIS LAWN.

The HOTEL is situated about five minutes walk from the landing. Arrangements have been made with the Proprietor of the steam-launch Morning Star to run Special Night Trips, last boat leaving Kowloon at Midnight. Fare 10 Cents each way.

J. C. L. ROUCH,
Manager.

Hongkong, December 8, 1888. 2067

THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

SITUATED on GARDEN LOT, No. 55, S. ROBINSON ROAD, KOWLOON, five minutes' walk from the landing.

WINES and SPIRITS of the best quality only kept.

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Hongkong, December 8, 1888. 2068

THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

A RAMBLE THROUGH SOUTHERN FORMOSA.—By Mr. G. TAYLOR.

This Article, which has been reprinted from the China Review, contains one of the best Sketches of Formosan Life yet written.

A few roughly-executed Woodcuts are included in the pamphlet.

May be had—Price, \$1—at MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and MESSRS. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, Hongkong; also, Mr. N. MOULIE, Amoy.

Hongkong, March 3, 1888. 363

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,

LIMITED.

BEG to announce to the Medical profession, and to the European and Chinese Community of Hongkong, that the

DISPENSING DEPARTMENT OF THEIR BUSINESS IS NOW OPEN.

THIS DEPARTMENT, being considered of the FIRST IMPORTANCE, is entirely under the control of fully qualified and experienced EUROPEAN ASSISTANTS.

THE DRUGS used in preparing prescriptions are of the BEST and PUREST QUALITY obtainable.

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF CHEMICALS, DRUGS, and MEDICINES, HAVE BEEN PREPARED AND SELECTED by Dakin Bros. of London, A FILM.

A Guarantee, for nearly Three quarters of a century.

22 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, December 1, 1888. 2022

THE EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA ORDINARY General MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on WEDNESDAY, the 10th Instant, at 4 p.m., when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at the General Meeting of the Company held This Day, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That the Company do purchase for the sum of \$25,000, a selected block of 5,000 acres of land in British North Borneo in the vicinity of the Company's present land, and for that purpose and to provide for the development of the said land, that the Capital of the Company be increased by the issue of 1,000 Shares at \$50 per share, of which \$25 shall be paid up on allotment, \$15 per share on the 1st March, 1889, and the balance at such time as the Board shall determine.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st Instant, both days inclusive.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 1, 1888. 2018

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTH ORDINARY General MEET-

ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at 11 o'clock forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and Statement of Accounts to the 30th November, 1888, and of declaring Dividends.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st

Instant, both days inclusive.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 1, 1888. 2018

NOTICE.

JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned have this Day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sales of these Product DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit Purchasers, at Wholesale Prices. Extra special terms for Shipping and large orders.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & CO., Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, December 3, 1888. 2035

Business Notices.

SAFETY-COKE AND OIL COMPANY
HAVE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST SHIPMENTS OF Christmas Delicacies.

NEW SEASON'S PUDDING FRUITS in bulk.

SULTANA and PUDDING RAISINS, ZANTE CURRANTS, PEELS, &c.

SMYRNA FIGS.

SHELL ALMONDS, BRAZIL and BARCELONA NUTS.

PRIME PIPE STILTON CHEESE, in jars.

CANADIAN, EDAM, ROCHEFORT, GORGONZOLA and STILTON CHEESE.

CONFECTORY.

FONDANTS, DRAGEES, FRUIT PATES, PASTILLES, NOUGATINS, LEGUMES, &c.

CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

BUTTER SCOTCH, COCONUT ICE, EVERTON TOFFEE, LEMON TOFFEE, TURKISH DELIGHT.

COSAQUES AND BONBONS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, November 24, 1888. 1979

W. POWELL & Co.

EX STEAM-IRONS GLENARTNEY and CLYDE.

PHOTO FRAMES.

NEW DRESS MATERIALS.

NEW TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED HATS.

BALM DRESS SETS.

SILK, KID and SILVER GLOVES.

COATS and CHILDREN'S STAY BANDS.

etc., etc.

Toys! Toys! Toys!!!

W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, November 26, 1888. 1992

N E W G O O D S .

STEAM-IRONS GLENARTNEY and CLYDE.

PHOTO FRAMES.

FANCY BRONZEWARE.

FOR COLLARS, TIES and SETS.

ULSTER and JACKETS.

CARDIGAN JACKETS and VESTS.

FOOT-BALL and POLO JERSEYS.

etc., etc.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!!!

W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 5, 1888. 2043

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

REIMS.

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Entertainment.

G. CHIARINI'S ROYAL ITALIAN CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE
To-night, and Every Night,
At 8, commencing 9 p.m. sharp

THIS institution does not require Bombastic Announcement. Its vast pavilions, first class exhibition in all its Branches, comfortable accommodation, brilliant illumination, and a splendid menagerie of formidable animals, speak for themselves.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:—
Boxes with 6 Chairs \$12.00
Single Chairs in Boxes 2.00
Dress Circle Chairs 1.50
Carpet Seats 0.60
Gallery 0.40

Children under 9 and Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price; to all parts of the house. Reserved places with carpeted seats and gallery will be provided for ladies only.

N.B.—SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
Grand Extra Performance.

Doors open at 3 p.m.; half an hour before performance. Specially for the accommodation of children.

I. MAYA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2058

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI

The Steamship
Yantze,
Captain C. TÖNNINGSEN,
will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 11th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIESEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2072

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 9, 1888:—
Yangtze, German steamer, from Whampoa.

Merlin, British gunboat, from Canton.

Marc, German str., 704, Hundested, Haiphong Dec. 7, Rice and General.—A. R. MARX.

Soochow, British steamer, 328, T. Rowin, Pakkih Dec. 6, and Hoihow 8, General.

KWONG TAI LOONG.

Amy, German steamer, 814, R. Kübler, Shanghai December 6, General and Rice.

SIESEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2073

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOEURABAYA.

The Steamship
Camora,
Captain F. W. Fife, will be despatched as above on or about the 14th instant.

The Steamship has excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2073

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship
Haiphong.

Captain HARRIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 13th Instant, at 4 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO., General Merchants.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2076

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
Acme.

will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, 22nd December, at Daylight.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2079

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship
Opal, J. C. JAQUES, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 26th instant.

For Freight, &c., apply to

ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2078

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED, Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2077

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING—1889.

HONGKONG DERBY.

SWEEPSTAKES of \$20 each, Half for

first, & declared on or before day of

CLOSING ENTRANCE, with \$100 added for 1st Pony, and \$50 per 2nd. For all China Ponies bond for Griffin at date of Entry (SATURDAY 19th January 1889). First Pony, 70 per cent. Second Pony, 20 per cent; Third, 10 per cent. Weight 100 lbs. One mile and a half.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE to the Clerk

of the Course at the Club on SATURDAY, the 22nd December.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Clerk of the Courses.

Hongkong, November 22, 1888. 2059

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 548.

THE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by Public Auction, to be held on the Spot, the 13th and 14th instant, the Regatta days; and at the CRICKET GROUNDS, which has been kindly placed at their disposal by the CRICKET CLUB COMMITTEE, on SATURDAY, the 15th instant, at 3.30 p.m., when the Prizes won at the Regatta will be distributed.

Through the courtesy of Mr. GILLES, the Secretary of the Dock Company, the Pilot Fish will leave Poole's Wharf on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 13th and 14th instant, at 12 noon, and 12.45 p.m., for the FLASHSHIP, which will be moored off Kowloon Point.

REFRESHMENTS will be supplied on board the FLASHSHIP to SUBSCRIBERS.

TIFFIN will be provided by Messrs. DODDREN & HING KEE.

J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2070

THE STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND CALL of TEN DOLLARS per Share is due on the 20th day of December, 1888.

SHAREHOLDERS will please PAY the AMOUNT due upon their Shares to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 20th instant, both days inclusive.

INTEREST at the Rate of 12% per annum will be charged on all Calls paid after the 20th instant as per Article No. 33 of the Company.

By Order, A. G. GORDON, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2071

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An American telegram says:—The German steamer *Nautus* came into collision with the German steamer *Theodore Kugler* off Lizard Point-to-day. Both vessels sank, a part of the *Kugler's* crew were saved. The fate of the remainder and of the entire crew of the *Nautus* is as yet unknown.

A TELEGRAM dated Petersburg, 12th ult., says that a powerful American Syndicate is about to be formed for the purpose of building railroads in Siberia. Besides a large subsidy the Government will give 4 million of rubles yearly for the transportation of mail and convicts.

We note from the *Missionary Recorder* that Mr W. Cooper, of the China Inland Mission, is carrying through the printing in London, for the British and Foreign Bible Society, an edition of the Mandarin Colloquial New Testament in Roman letters which he hopes will be of great service in the missionary work of the future.

The Chinese Times says that Mr Donny will, after conference with Ma Tso-tai, return to Korea, but whether for a short or long term our contemporary does not know.

Mr James Stevens, the Viewer of the Tongshan Colliery, who has had the principal share in the management of the details of all the work in the mine for some five years or more, returns home to England. His health is, we (Chinese Times) regret to hear, the immediate cause of Mr Stevens' resignation.

H.M.S. Rambler was to leave Shanghai on Tuesday for Hongkong where the officers and crew will leave her and proceed home in a transport leaving Hongkong on 3rd February. She will be re-commissioned by the Captain and crew of the *Myrmidon* who come up from Australia for the purpose, and who will then take her to Australian waters.

The Chinese Times says:—The report in the London Times, announcing the Russian protectorate over Corea, was concocted in Seoul with us known, an intention to deceive. We will no doubt hear more of the matter.

The Peking correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury* says that Yuan, the Chinese Minister in Corea, was expected in Tientsin at the latter end of this month.

The N.C. Daily News has another version about the Glencoe. It says:—The *Glencoe*, from Manila to London, has met with an accident, having run ashore and damaged her rudder. She was probably two or three days' steam from Singapore on her homeward voyage. When are we going to get at the truth about this matter?

From the *Hyogo News* of the 1st inst., we learn that the *Agamemnon*, after lightening, arrived in Kobe on the afternoon of the 1st inst., and has not sustained the slightest injury, as the bank on which the vessel grounded is composed of soft sand and mud.

MOVEMENTS OF OFFICIALS.—The Governor of Cheliang, Wei Jung-kuang, is transferred to the Governorship of Shensi, and his post in Cheliang is taken by Sung-chien; the latter's position as Governor of Kiangsu having been conferred upon Kang-yi, the present Governor of Shensi. Ch'en-yi, the Governor of Anhui, has received orders to come to Peking, where he is to hold third class rank as a metropolitan official and await further employment. His place in Anhui is taken by Sheo Ping-ching, at present Governor of Kiangsu, and recently a member of the Taung-li Yamen, the Governorship of the latter province having been conferred upon Kuo Oh-ung-oh, the present Lieutenant Governor at Canton.

The Peking Gazette of the 19th ult. contains a Decree of the penalties to be imposed on the officials of the Board of Ceremonies for selecting a wrong date for religious observances in connection with the Emperor's marriage. The officials responsible for the mistake were handed over to the Board of Civil Office, and the latter department having considered the case, suggests that the two Senior Secretaries should be deprived of five steps of rank, and removed to other posts, and that Li Hung-tao and other members of the Board should be degraded four steps, and similarly removed. Li Hung-tao, however, having already been stripped of rank for another offence, is to be cashiered.

RETURN OF THE HOLY DESCENDANT (or CONCUBINE).—The Most Holy Duke King Yen-ting, together with his mother and wife, left Peking 1st November. They travelled in green sedan chairs ornamented with gold knobs, and, leaving the city by the Yu-an gate, they stopped for the night at Huang-Tien. The Governor of Shun Tien Fu, Wan Ping Hien to send soldiers and officers to make ready the resting places, and also to act as escort as far as Yen-Yen, Shensi, the home of the Duke. On the 17th Inst., the Pines, Tzu Li, and Ch'ien-Pai, Pei-Yung, President of the Board of Works, Wu Shu-Ping, President of the Board of Revenue, and all the principal Metropolitan Officials paid their respects. The wife of Sun-Lai-Chuan, Vice-President of the Board of Works, accompanied the party as far as Hung-Tun. (This lady is the mother-in-law of the Duke).—Shih-Pao.

THE 'WHAMPOA-Spartan' COLLISION.—Mr G. J. Jamison, Act. Judge, gave judgment on the 20th ult. in the above case, in which the owners of the American bark *Spartan* were the plaintiffs (represented by Mr J. F. Lawler), and the owners of the British steamer *Whampoa* the defendants (represented by Mr H. C. Littlefield). His Honor in giving judgment said: There will be certain judgment against the *Whampoa*, and the evidence will be referred to the naval referees with merchants to assess the damages with costs. The referees will be Mr Troup, the Assistant Judge, with assessors as desired, sitting as Registrar to assess the damages.

DATA FILED FOR THE EXECUTION OF CHINAMEN.—The 10th December is the date fixed when the criminals in charge of the Board of Punishment are to be executed. The Pains magistrates of the Wu-chung, or Five cities, have received instructions to erect the necessary sheds for the execution ground outside of the Hsiao Wu Gate; these sheds to be four in number, one for the execution men, for the accommodation of the presidents, and for the reception of the Imperial warrants, and another for the confinement of the criminals. Forty undertakers and ten executioners have been provided for the day of execution, and on the afternoon of the day preceding, the doomed victims will be examined by the officers appointed by the Board of Punishment.

If in the next day, the criminals will be taken, chained, and manacled, to the spot where they will stand for their trial. The power comes of perfect honesty. No wonder that the Confucianist has it!

The *Shih-pao* prints a detailed scheme laid before the Chinese Government by Commissioner Kleinwachter. The gold coins are to be about the size of sovereigns and

TIENTHIN RAILWAY.—The following is taken from the *Hu-pao*:—His Excellency Li Hung-chang having made a personal inspection of the Railway between Tientsin and Tang-shan, and found it working in a very satisfactory manner, has applied to the Admiralty to continue it to Tung-chow and on to Peking. As the expenses of the continuation will be very heavy, an Agency has been established at Shanghai for the sale of shares.

KOREA.—A Shanghai resident and friend has kindly placed a private letter at our disposal, says the *Shanghai Mercury*, from which we take a few excerpts of interest to our readers:—We are logging along here fairly well, and still hope for better times; business improves constantly; gradually, it is true, but steadily. The crops this year are a failure in parts of Korea, but such may be the case in other parts of the world at any time. Better crops next year, I hope. There is nothing in the wind politically; but what about Korean Independence? The less said the sooner mended; about the rumours of the Russians being about to 'Cossack' Korea, you have no doubt heard already; take it good-humouredly.

AFFAIRS IN FORMOSA.—According to a Decree, published in the Peking Gazette of the 20th ult., peace seems to have been restored in Formosa. Liu Ming-chuan reports that Chi-Hsun-ming, Lin Chao-tung, and several other officers having been sent to operate from different districts against the rebels, a great number of their adherents were captured and decapitated, their encampments in twenty-one places were totally demolished, and the siege of Chang-hua was raised, the country was restored to its normal state of tranquillity. In consequence, the privilege of wearing a yellow riding jacket has been granted to the ex-protector Taotai, Lin Chao-tung, and other officers who specially distinguished themselves are recommended for the bestowal of rewards. Posthumous honours are to be conferred on Chen Huan-ming who died in battle, and a temple is to be erected to his memory in the district town of Chang-hua.

INFORMATION as to the schooner *Nereid*, stolen on 31st January from the owner, Capt. C. Johnson, near Guam, has been received by the U.S. Consul-General in Yokohama. It is contained in a letter from the U.S. Consul at Hongkong, dated November 16th, 1888. From it we learn that a Captain O'Keefe, of the American brig *Sovereign*, who resides on the island of Yap, and was at that date in Hongkong, reported to the Consul there that Forbes had been in his locality, though he did not see him. Forbes, it seems from Captain O'Keefe's information, had sold the *Nereid* for \$600 to two men at the island of New Gona of the Monte de Vido group. One of the purchasers was a British subject named Thomas Day, residing on the island, and the other a German named Naruhn, living on Ronk's group. As soon as he got the money, Forbes disappeared and has not been heard of since. The facts were reported by Capt. O'Keefe to the Spanish authorities at Yap, who will arrest either Forbes or the vessel who shall turn up.—*Japan Mail*.

A DRIED-UP TAOST.—A writer in the *Missionary Recorder*, in describing the Tai Shan Mountain in Shantung, much regret to pilgrims, says that among other attractions, is the mummy of an old Taoist who died in the reign of Ch'ien Lung (1735)—1767 set up as an object of reverence. This desecrated corpse is set on a pedestal as a idol generally, in a sitting posture, with legs crossed and hands together. Over his skull has been fitted a plaster mask painted in the very red and very white Chinese fashion, in which glass eyes have been set; a yellow silk robe hangs loosely from his bony shoulders, leaving exposed, however, the withered arms and legs. A more gruesome, ghoulish object would be difficult to conceive. He is reported to be the priest of the *Dated Tao*, but when asking admittance they refer to him more politely as the venerable priest. The writer enquired of the attending priest, 'He is dead since his death,' he was transformed into a spirit, and the spirit of Chien Lung. His spirit left him while he was in a sitting posture, and he had neither aho nor pain being fully convinced that he was not dying but being decomposed him after he died.

OUTSIDE THE HOUSE A LARGE MATCHED HAS BEEN BUILT FOR THE RECEPTION OF VISITORS. Here the pilgrims are served with tea and are afforded an opportunity to subscribe to a fund which is to be devoted to the building of a temple which is to be dedicated to the late Ng Cheung Fat, who has been made a saint for his extraordinary conduct as a deceased. As a guarantee of good faith the subscribers to the fund are invited to gaze upon the foundation which have already been laid for the temple. Subscribers' names are written on scarlet paper and pasted upon the walls of the matched, which proud distinction has already been conferred on a number of Hongkong residents. The room in which the late Ng Cheung Fat now reposes is dark and dirty and full of smoke from burning joss-sticks. The glimmer of candle-light which feebly irradiates the thick atmosphere within only enables the visitor to see the objects there very indistinctly. Only one visitor is allowed to enter at a time. The first thing he sees is a small, dimly lit shrine table, behind which sits the showman, a brother of the deceased on the material side. Along with him is a Taoist priest, whose business is to conduct the chin-chin ceremony in which the visitor is supposed to indulge himself in a savage state and passing through the stages when a woman had many husbands and the somewhat higher when a man had many wives, we reach the highest where the relationship between the sexes is characterized by strict monogamy and settled family life. The old religion which has been so much to the gloom of the young, that cultivation of sympathetic feelings and refined taste, and that care for the aged which are characteristic of a high civilization.

The question then arises, is it a better policy to let the State to interfere with the corrective effects of the classification that follows an infringement of the laws of healthy life, or to allow the incontinent of society, or to allow the incontinent to suffer somewhat more keenly the consequences of their unbridled passion; in the faith that the very keenness of this punishment will work out a really beneficial effect in the future? The majority of residents and especially the old residents, will, I know, at once reply that this way of putting the matter is absurd, and deduce that I know nothing about the peculiar conditions of this and similar colonies. The disparity between the male and female population, the presence of an alien subject race out numbering the higher governing race by 20 to 1, the licentious immorality of this inferior race—all necessitate, they say, the adoption of the measures that have been till recently enforced. If such steps were not taken the health of the Colony would be ruined. These appear at first sight, I admit, to be strong arguments. But, I would ask, do we mean this disparity between the male and female population to be permanent? Is it an absolutely necessary condition of existence in this island? I think not. It is merely a passing phase of our development, and if we stopped fostering it by our exceptional laws it would disappear. Family life is quite as possible in Hongkong as anywhere else in the globe; and I maintain that were it born home with the stern logic of physical pain, the alternatives were either regulated family life or widespread corruption, there would spring up such a strong feeling in the Colony as would sweep away the barriers to family life—chiefly land monopoly and house-farming—which at present exist. Without this strong sentiment we may remain, slowly deteriorating, the time, the hands of these monopolists and farmers for decades to come, and the progress of the Colony be curtailed.

The estimate about the inferior morality of the Chinese population is even a less tenable one. Chinese family life is not so high as European, but it is much higher than the state we are encouraging in

half sovereigns, equal respectively to 1 and 2 silver taels. The silver coins are to be, 1 tael, 1 tael, 1 tael, 1 tael, 1 tael, and 1 tael. The white copper coins are to be worth 2d and 1d of a tael of silver. A tael is 588 grains. There is to be a dragon on the larger coins.

The *Chung-kuo-san-po* gives an account of oppressive class legislation in Honshu against the Chinese who are now on the islands or who may go there with certificates permitting them to land. In all likelihood, it is true, one would think life even to the most patient of Chinese would be hardly worth living there.

A VISIT TO THE 'MIRACULOUS CORPSE' AT NAMTAU.

We were somewhat premature in saying the other day that the miraculous corpse at Namtau had retired from business. He still lay supercilious on the stage of time, although his success as a 'draw' has woefully diminished. Yesterday a party of visitors from Hongkong, including Dr. Marques, Police Inspector Quincey, several Portuguese gentlemen, and a number of Chinese had a look at the corpse, which had the proud distinction of possessing it. Kai Tau is not a big place, the population consisting of only some twenty families. It possesses several ancestral halls and a large Confucian temple. Quite close to the village, only about 600 yards distant, is the market town of Wong Kong, which has a population of about two thousand families and possesses a big pawnshop. Still the fame of the miraculous corpse spread abroad, Kai Tau has had a constant influx of visitors, chiefly from Hongkong and Canton, and stories of the remarkable powers of healing shown by the defunct vegetarian are numerous. At the house a large trade is done in charmed fans. The fans are of the ordinary description, but being stamped at the shrine of the new saint with a peculiar mark, they are believed to possess the power of protecting the wearer from various evil influences.

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